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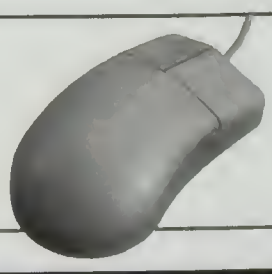

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President's Message

We had a GREAT SHOW in Columbus! Ohio volunteers in their green hats were everywhere as they and our CSNS team went out of their way to make this a truly enjoyable and memorable event. It is my great honor to take over the reins from Immediate Past President Marvin Mericle. Marv is a navy man and he kept our organization 'ship shape.' I hope to continue in that tradition.

I can tell you that there was lots of activity on the bourse floor and the show was an unqualified success. Our budget is balanced and the organization is in good health. We have entered into another three-year agreement with Heritage to conduct auctions at our shows. We will also be continuing our relationship with PNG and expect to see great PNG Days in the next three years.

A major development in our ongoing efforts to make CSNS an educator of the first rank in the area of numismatics is the scheduling of our very first Central States Seminar. The topic will be National Bank Notes and the seminar will be held in Okoboji, Iowa, at the Higgins Museum on Thursday, August 3, 2006. Seminar attendance is limited to 30 participants to insure a quality experience. Cost, including a luncheon, is $30 for CSNS members, $50 for non-members. Our own CSNS Governor Wendell Wolka and the fabled national currency experts Peter Huntoon and Mark Hotz are the presenters. (More details elsewhere in this issue.)

William Brandimore (right) assumed the presidency of Central States as he accepted the president's gavel from retiring president Marv Mericle, during installation ceremonies in Columbus. (Rollie Finner photo)

Exhibits were great at Columbus, as usual, and we continued our long tradition of gold prizes ... in the face of rising gold prices. Fran Lockwood does an outstanding job in organizing and operating the exhibit function. She is to be credited for putting in long hours of quality effort. Jack Huggins is the Chair of the Exhibit Committee and is also selfless in his pursuit of exhibition excellence. In fact, ...

Jack's pursuit of favorable tax status for CSNS, judging excellence in our exhibits and many other services to our Central States organization led to his becoming the first recipient of a CSNS 'Presidential Award' of excellence. It was well deserved and unanimously hailed by the members of the board as proper recognition for a great governor and Central States member!!

We're already looking forward to St. Louis next year ... but we are catching our breath. The next board meeting will be held in Iowa on the occasion of our first ever CSNS Numismatic Seminar in early August.

In conclusion I would like to thank all those that supported me in my election to the position of president. I pledge to you that I will do my best to advance the cause of numismatic education at the junior and senior levels and strive to continue to maintain Central States' position of excellence in the numismatic community.

William Brandimore

2007 Literary Competition Open!

As a member of Central States Numismatic Society, you are reminded that *The Centinel* is constantly in search of worthwhile numismatic material for publication, especially the works and writings of its own members.

Each year a number of members make literary contributions for publication, thereby sharing their personal knowledge of the hobby, adding enjoyment to the lives of our readers – and paving the way for possible special recognition.

Annually since 1969, Central States has honored one or more members whose literary efforts – published in *The Centinel* – have been judged most deserving of recognition. To winners in the senior division go the Bradfield Literary Awards, named in honor of the late Elston G. Bradfield, founding editor of *The Centinel*. Our junior authors compete for the Daniel C. Parker Literary Award. Authors receive nominal payment following publication of their material.

Competition for the '06 Bradfield and Parker awards closed with publication of the winter, 2005-06, issue, and respective awards were presented as one of the highlights of the Columbus Saturday morning awards breakfast, April 29th.

Now, though, is the time to start planning for the '07 competition! Manuscripts (or questions and inquiries) should be directed to the Editor, PO Box 296, Iola, WI 54945, or by e-mail: rfinner@athenet.net.

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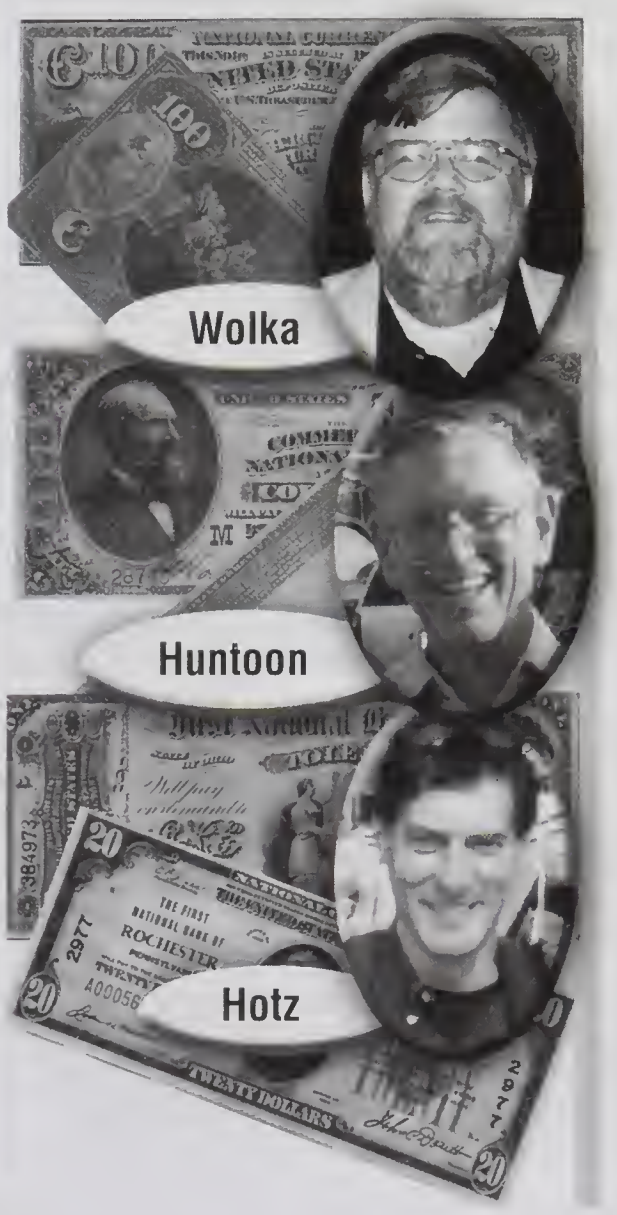

Enjoy an evening reception on August 2, meeting fellow students and instructors and get ready for a full day of information from national bank note experts Peter Huntoon, Mark Hotz, and Wendell Wolka on August 3. The seminar is wrapped up with an informational Q&A session with the presenters that evening.

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Secretary Jerry Lebo

Secretary's Message

The coin market was "hot" and consequently so was our 67th anniversary convention during late April in Columbus, Ohio.

Of course, not everybody was in agreement on everything (that never happens!) but overall the event was considered a major success.

Several dealers passed on taking booths because of the fear of being raided by the Ohio tax people. That never happened. Still, we had approximately 270 dealer booths on the bourse floor.

Most agreed that the new display cases purchased by CSNS were quite attractive and added to the positive appearance of the show.

There was some disagreement over whether the PNG Day should be followed immediately by a period in which all the other dealers were allowed to set up. In a departure from the practice of recent years, the rest of the dealers were allowed to begin setting up at 9 a.m. Thursday, with public hours beginning at 1 p.m. This was the first time in recent memory that CSNS opened the bourse to the public as early as Thursday.

This also was the first convention in which there were no public hours on Sunday.

Overall, our convention committee will be looking at possible modifications that the governing board can address at its August meeting in Iowa.

Meanwhile, special thanks to the following who donated material for the YN auction during the Columbus convention: Roy Maines, Tom Denly, Joel Edler, Heritage Galleries, Ronald Hedglin, Frederick Bart, Dennis King and Donald Kagin.

As is always the case, the CSNS board met during the convention. Minutes of the meeting can be found elsewhere in this issue.

We'll talk about a few highlights.

Just several weeks prior to the convention, we learned of the death of former Governor Florence Schook. Our chief exhibit judge, Jack Huggins, told the board that next year's "best of show" exhibit award will be named in Florence's memory.

As expenses continue rising, so do the tuitions for the ANA summer seminar. The CSNS board increased from $1,000 to $1,200 the maximum value of each scholarship our organization awards for this seminar. Incidentally, individuals seeking these scholarships should send their applications to me. My address is listed elsewhere in *The Centinel*. Aug. 1 is the deadline for submitting applications to attend the 2007 seminar in Colorado Springs.

Meanwhile, Central States is embarking on educational seminars. These generally will be one-day events featuring prominent speakers on various subjects. The first such is slated Aug. 3 in Okoboji IA and will focus on paper money.

There also will be a seminar on exhibiting staged during our spring 2007 convention in St. Louis.

By the way, the deadline for applying for scholarships to the ANA summer seminar has been moved up to Aug. 1, just ahead of the board meeting when grants will be decided.

Another feature being added to the St. Louis convention is a breakfast meeting for representatives of our member clubs. More information on this later, but essentially the breakfast will be for the first 25 member clubs to register. Each may send as many as two representatives.

In each issue we list the names of members who have moved and cannot be located. We call them "lost" members. There is a somewhat higher than normal number listed in this issue. If you have contact with any of them, please ask them to notify me of their new address. Otherwise, they will be dropped from the membership roster in about one month.

The Central States membership has swelled to more than 2,300 but will dwindle back to around 2,100 this summer. As is usually the case, about 200 members are dropped for non-payment of dues. If you are one of those 200 or so members, this is your last issue of *The Centinel*. Hope you decide to renew.

One member who did renew is Douglas Dexter of Wisconsin. Along with his dues check, he enclosed a Wisconsin lottery scratch-off ticket. We scratched same at the Columbus board meeting. Didn't win, but thanks, anyway, Doug!

Jerry Lebo

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Florence M. Schook

~~ 1917 – 2006 ~~

The numismatic world was saddened to learn of the passing of Florence M. Schook, prominent hobby leader. At age 88, she died April 2 at her home in Livonia, Michigan. She was born July 20, 1917.

Ms. Schook joined the board of governors of Central States Numismatic Society in 1982 and continued in that position until 1996 and again from 1998 until 2004. In 1996 she was the recipient of the CSNS highest honor, the Medal of Merit. She also served as president of the Michigan State Numismatic Society.

She was vice president of the American Numismatic Association, 1983-85, then president, 1985-87. In 1994 she was presented the ANA's highest honor, the Farran Zerbe Memorial Award for outstanding and distinguished service to the hobby of numismatics.

Ms. Schook will be remembered most for her active involvement with young people. She specialized in promoting the young numismatist programs of the ANA, CSNS and local clubs, and was a mentor to young numismatists, several of whom went on to professional careers in the hobby.

For 26 years she was employed as executive secretary for the National Casualty Insurance Company and was president of the firm's credit union.

Ms. Schook is survived by nieces, nephews, great-nieces and great-nephews. She was laid to rest April 8 in Glen Eden Cemetery in Livonia. A memorial gathering was held April 22 at the Will Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to the Florence M. Schook Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Harry J. Will Funeral Home, 37000 W. Six Mile Road, Livonia, MI 48152. (Telephone: 888-303-8871.)

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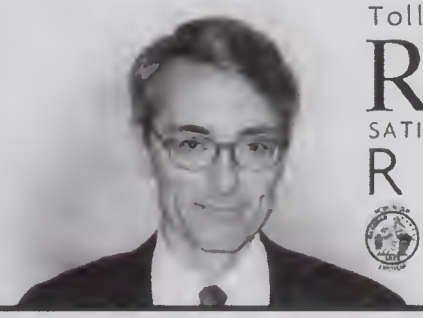

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Central States Numismatic Society
Board Meeting Minutes - April 28, 2006 - Columbus OH

President Mericle called the meeting to order at 2:05 p.m. with all members in attendance. Guests present were Michael Dennany, Karen Jach, Bruce Benoit, Diane Piret and Eloise Ullman.

There was a moment of silence for deceased members.

Governor Padget motioned and Governor P. Finner seconded to approve the minutes of the previous meeting. Approved.

Governor Tileston moved and Governor Moores seconded to approve the treasurer's report. Approved.

Secretary Lebo said CSNS had 2,175 members as of Feb. 28.

Diane Piret of ICTA provided a brief update on federal regulations as they apply to numismatic items. She also reported on California tax issues.

Editor R. Finner said some extra copies of *The Centinel* were available. He also said he would like to redesign the cover of *The Centinel*, whose style has been in use since the 1970s. He provided samples of mouse pads to be sent to advertisers.

Governor P. Finner motioned and Governor Tileston seconded to increase *Centinel* advertising rates by approximately 10 percent. Approved.

President Mericle, who is also historian, provided an updated list of items in the archives. He said six cases of archival material are being displayed at this convention. He also said he is still looking for material, especially earlier catalogs.

Governor Huggins presented a brief report on exhibits and said next year's best of show award will be named in memory of Florence Schook.

Governor Jorde said there are no scholarship applications pending. He motioned and Governor Wolka seconded to increase the maximum value of scholarships to the ANA summer seminar to $1,200, effective with the 2007 seminar. Approved.

Governor Lockwood reported that 50 bronze and 100 silver medals were made for this convention.

Governor Wolka motioned and Vice President Brandimore seconded to list contacts on the CSNS web site for various items. Approved.

Governor Lockwood reported a seminar on paper money has been arranged for Aug. 3 in Okoboji IA. He said reservations are available for up to 30 people. He motioned and Governor Kamb seconded to set a maximum seminar expense of $5,000. Approved.

There was a motion by Governor Lockwood and seconded by Governor Kamb to have CSNS sponsor a breakfast for representatives from member clubs during the 2007 convention in St. Louis. The Education Committee will manage the event. The first 25 clubs to apply will be accepted with a maximum of two people from each club, with the expense not to exceed $3,000. Approved.

The concept of sharing membership applications with the Young Numismatists of America was tabled.

Governor Lockwood motioned and Governor Kamb seconded for CSNS to sponsor a seminar during the 2007 convention in St. Louis with the theme being exhibiting at a maximum expense of $1,000. Approved.

The board deferred discussion on the concept of developing a Lincoln Memorial cent collector's board.

Governor P. Finner said $509 had been spent for teacher kits. She said there has been a response from about 50 percent of the teachers who received the kits.

President Mericle said the convention is using the 1,300 new CSNS cases.

Governor Padget motioned and Governor Lockwood seconded to increase the CSNS mileage rate to 40 cents. Approved.

There was a discussion about dealer and early bird check-in. Modifications to be made for the 2007 convention.

General Chairman Foley said the large back door to the bourse would not be raised until 5:30 p.m. Saturday.

Framed stock certificate gifts were presented by Convention Chairman Kevin Foley to President Mericle, incoming President Brandimore and Governor Kamb (representing the host club.)

Governor Huggins motioned and Governor Tileston seconded to increase the treasurer's bond to $500,000. Approved.

There was discussion about the use of the CSNS logo, but no action was taken.

2006 Central States Numismatic Society Election Results

President		Harry Tileston	346
William Brandimore	575	Karen Jach	323
		Jack Huggins	298
Vice President		James Moores	294
Patti Finner	507	Bruce Benoit	257
Governor (1st 10 elected)		**Runnersup**	
Ray Lockwood	429	Thomas Klunzinger	229
Wendell Wolka (tie)	392	Bill Kamb	203
Paul Padget (tie)	392	Bruce Perdue	168
Glen Jorde	379	Michael Doran	118
Don Charters	353		

Governor Jorde motioned and Governor Lockwood seconded to issue a medal and certificate to the individual who gets membership number 10,000. Approved.

Vice President Brandimore motioned and Governor P. Finner seconded to amend the bylaws and allow clubs outside the 13-state region to be CSNS members. Approved.

Governor Moores motioned and Governor Charters seconded to donate $100 to ANA for YN activities in memory of Florence Schook. Approved.

There was a consensus to reaffirm the policy of issuing no refunds to bourse dealers who cancel after the cancellation deadline.

Governor Perdue suggested a member survey be developed. Same to be presented later.

An executive session was conducted.

It was reported that during executive session CSNS and Heritage have signed a three-year auction agreement and that bourse fees were set as thus: reduce the fee by $50 per booth and include one badge with each booth. There will be a $50 charge per additional badge. Minor children are excluded from the charge. Approved.

President Mericle thanked everybody for their assistance during his two-year term as president.

Vice President Brandimore motioned and Governor P. Finner seconded to approve the 2006-7 budget. Approved.

Meeting adjourned at 6:03 p.m.

Central States Numismatic Society
Board Meeting Minutes - April 29, 2006 - Columbus OH

Newly installed President Brandimore called the meeting to order at 9:30 a.m. and announced the following committee assignments: Editor and Advertising: R. Finner; Medal of Merit: Green, Tileston, Lockwood; Historian: Mericle, R. Finner; Bradfield Award: R. Finner, Brandimore, Lebo; Exhibits and Judging: Huggins, Wolka, Benoit; Scholarship: Brandimore, P. Finner, Lebo; Legal: Green; Manual, Constitution: Ad hoc (as needed); Ethics: Lockwood, Padget, Jorde; Medals; Lockwood, Charters; Web site: Wolka, Perdue; Convention: P. Finner, Jach, Benoit, Foley, Lebo, Green; Finance and Treasury Oversight: Tileston, Huggins, Moores; Education: Lockwood, Wolka, Moore, Kamb; YNs: P. Finner, Benoit, Charters; Special projects: Brandimore, Mericle, Benoit.

President Brandimore said the next board meeting will be Aug. 3 in Okoboji, Iowa.

Governor P. Finner motioned and Governor Lockwood seconded that the PNG Day fee paid by PNG to CSNS be increased by $1,500 each in the coming three years. Approved with Governors Huggins and Tileston voting no.

Following discussion, the concept of producing a "penny" board was referred to committee.

An Aug. 1 deadline was set for submission of summer seminar scholarship applications.

Meeting adjourned at 10 a.m.

CSNS General Membership Meeting • April 28, 2006

President Mericle called the meeting to order at 2 p.m.

There was a moment of silence for deceased members.

Following the secretary and treasurer's reports, Exhibit Chair Fran Lockwood assisted by Ray Lockwood presented the following exhibiting awards:

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(Note: Best of Show announced at awards breakfast Saturday morning and People's Choice was announced at 3 p.m. Saturday.)

U.S. Coins: 1. William Cowburn Jr., "A Transitional Proof 1876 Trade Dollar." 2. Gerald Kochel, "Liberty Seated Half Dimes." 3. Scott Goodman, "Early U.S. Commemorative Type Set."

Foreign Coins After 1700: 1. Steve Roach, "Ancient Artistic Influences on Selected Modern World Coins." 2. Bill Kamb, British Honduras Cents of George VI and Elizabeth II." 3. Richard Jozefiak, "A Detailed Study of the British Sovereign."

Foreign Coins Prior to 1700: 1. Jim Cain, "Coins of Bible Days." 2. Steve Roach, "A Tale of Two Coins." 3. T. E. Klunzinger, "A Long-Crossed Penny of Aetheired II."

All U.S. Paper Money: 1. Wendell Wolka, "The Five State Bank of Ohio $5 Design Types." 2. Tom Casper, "A Selection of U.S. Bonds and Related Items." 3. Bruce Benoit, "www.wheresgeorge.com"

All Foreign Paper Money: 1. Neil Shafer, "A Panorama of World Error Notes." 2. John Wilson, "Ming Dynasty Note." 3. Mike Dennany, "Irish Promissory $10 Note."

Medals and Tokens: 1. Tom Casper, "U.S. Love Tokens." 2. Marvin Mericle, "Communion Tokens of Scotland." 3. Gerald Kochel, "Linden Hall - School for Girls."

Miscellaneous: 1. Tom Havelka, "Bellaire, Ohio Numismatics: A Sample of Numismatic Related Items from Bellaire, Ohio." 2. Richard Jozefiak, "Unique 1921 British Penny." 3. Bruce Benoit, "Just Checking - A Collection of Paper History."

Junior: 1. Anna Heinrich, "Streets are Paved with Gold." 2. Katie Heinrich, "Without the Grace of God." 3. Quenten Wyant, "United States Type Coins with Holes."

U.S. State Quarters: 1. William Cowburn Jr., "Collecting Error U.S. State Quarters." 2. Steve Roach, "The Story Behind Michigan's 2004 State Quarter."

People's Choice: T. E. Klunzinger, "Circulating Type Coins of 1956."

Best in Show (named in memory of Robert Kutcher): Wendell Wolka, "The Five State Bank of Ohio $5 Design Types."

Most Educational (John Jay Pittman Award): Bruce Benoit, "Just Checking - A Collection of Paper History."

Best Exhibit by a first-time CSNS exhibitor (Joseph and Morton Stack Award): Richard Jozefiak, "Unique 1921 British Penny."

Literary Awards announced at Saturday breakfast:

Elston Bradfield Awards: Bruce Benoit, Milwaukee, WI, "Canada's Decminal One-Cent Coinage;" 2nd place: William Cowburn Jr., York, Pa., "How to Store, Display and Care for Your Collection."

Daniel Parker Junior Awards (tie): Samuel Ernst, Omaha, NE, "New Leaves on Wisconsin Quarters," and Hayden Rose, Matthews, NC, "The Striking of Religion with 'In God We Trust.'"

Respectfully submitted,

Jerry Lebo

Central States Numismatic Society
2005 Treasurer's Report
Mar. 1, 2005 – Feb. 28, 2006

INCOME

Dues	$ 16,361.00
Centinel	4,166.25
Convention Spring	162,929.88
Convention Fall	3,250.00
Interest - Regular	4,333.40
Interest - Dedicated (LM)	4,935.56
Miscellaneous	1,349.98
Total:	**197,326.07**

EXPENSES

Secretary	$ 20,286.61
Postage	3,773.97
Education	8,570.96
Board	12,700.61
Convention	2,278.34
Centinel	24,998.79
Legal	.00
Insurance	4,997.00
Travel	6,359.70
Dues	836.00
Scholarships	3,907.80
Taxes	(632.21)
Computer	781.82
Cases and Racks	79,721.58
Miscellaneous	542.91
Totals:	**169,123.88**

ASSETS

Opening balance:	157,979.48
Income	197,326.07
Expenses	(169,123.88)
Transfer to LM acct	(3,200.00)
Dedicated interest	(4,935.56)
Loan to 2006 Show	(20,000.00)
Repay 2006 show loan	20,000.00
Repay Conv. Ctr deposits	16,360.00
Useable funds:	194,406.11
Life and other dedicated funds:	135,277.17
Accounts receivable:	3,606.40
Value of exhibit cases:	83,200.00
Value of case racks:	16,335.00
Total Assets:	**432,824.68**

Green Hats: A Legend in Their Own Time!

by Gerald Tebben

The spring Central States bourse floor in Columbus looked like a little bit of Ireland, with dozens of green-hatted leprechauns tending to the needs of the public and the dealers.

In 1999, when CNS-COINS (the Columbus coin club) was planning its first coin show, the club bought a couple dozen plastic derbies for members to wear while working the show. Hats were chosen over the shirts and vests that many clubs use because they are instantly recognizable and can be seen at a distance.

Green was picked by default. CNS-COINS bought the hats from a local store that specializes in geegaws for bars, private parties and carnivals. Yankee Trader does a booming business in St. Patrick's Day goods and always has a supply of green derbies, top hats, and cardboard shamrocks on hand ... even in the middle of summer.

Since 1999, the club members – who came to be known as the 'Green Hats' – have worked seven (soon to be eight) annual club shows, three Ohio State Numismatic Association annual shows and two Central States shows.

Green Hats – dozens of them – were highly visible throughout the Columbus convention, but only this group had time to have their picture taken. From the left (seated) are Diane Heberline, Pete Miller, Ron Lauttamus, Hugh Mann and Tony Cass; and (standing) are Dan Carroll, Scott Goodman, Bob Barton, Bill Kamb, Gerald Tebben, Gary Moran, Vern Warner, Gary Heberline and Evan Brill. (Rollie Finner photo)

Before 1999, Columbus had not hosted a large show in decades. Club members had to travel to Cincinnati, Pittsburgh or Cleveland (a journey of 100 to 200 miles) if they wanted to attend a decent-sized show.

CNS-COINS was determined to make the first Columbus show such a success that out-of-town dealers would want to return year after year. The club couldn't control the market, but it could control the experience.

Coin dealers live a difficult and sometimes dangerous life, traveling to a new town every weekend, usually with a small fortune in coins packed in briefcases, binders and bins. Green Hats appreciate the difficulty of a life on the road and aim to make the Columbus sojourn as enjoyable as possible.

From the minute a dealer pulls up at a Columbus show, he is made to feel welcome and wanted. A Green Hat meets each dealer as he arrives, helps unload the stock (if requested) and transports the coins and cases to the bourse floor.

During the show, Green Hats will spell dealers who need a break, run for coffee or lunch or track down show officials to resolve problems.

After the show, a dozen or more Green Hats are always on hand to help pack up and see the dealers on their way.

Green Hats come from all walks of life – literally from janitors to doctors – but are united in their love of numismatics. So when they're not helping, they're shopping for their own collections.

CNS-COINS, which is changing its name to Central Ohio Numismatic Society, looks forward to hosting another Central States show in the future.

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Reminisces and Retrospectives On Past CSNS Conventions

by Cliff Mishler

Departure on a motorhome junket to Alaska precluded my attendance at the 67th anniversary CSNS convention in Columbus, Ohio, so I thought I would follow up on the eclectic thoughts offered a couple issues back, offering observations related to last fall's gathering in Dearborn, with similar based reminisces and retrospectives drawn from attendance at earlier events attended over the past 45 years or so.

Did you realize that while Central States events have played in Peoria, on three occasions in fact, twice in the spring and once in the fall – 1967 and 1973 in the spring, and 1985 in the fall – there is one state embraced by the organization that has never hosted. That would be North Dakota. And, there are three states that have hosted in but a single instance; the second fall gathering of the board was hosted in Sioux Falls, SD, in 1986 in conjunction with the annual convention of the South Dakota Coin & Stamp Association as I recall; at the Bluegrass Convention Center in Louisville, Ky., in 1990, an event that I attended; in Overland Park, Kan., in 1989, on the occasion of its 50th anniversary.

The organizing event of CSNS was hosted in Chicago at the Congress Hotel on April 22-23, 1939, which was 16 weeks prior to my having announced my presence on this planet. That was the first of 15 times that Illinois has hosted, five of which have been fall events over the past 20 years.

Runner up for hosting the most times is Missouri with 12, all of which were spring events, six in St. Louis and six in Kansas City. Next in line are Wisconsin, all in Milwaukee, and Ohio with 11 each, with six of the Ohio events being in the fall, followed by Michigan with 10 (3 in the fall) and Indiana with 9 (one in the fall). Rounding out the log are Minnesota with five, Iowa with three and Nebraska with two (one in the fall).

CSNS Platform for ANA Elections – Back in the early 60s, ANA elections were sometimes fiercely contested, with the annual Central States convention serving as the launch platform for the biannual election seasons. I'll never forget the heatedly contested presidential campaign of 1963 between upstate New Yorker John J. Pittman and Oklahoman P. K. Anderson. It was running hot and heavy at the Sheraton-Chicago convention of that year, with both candidates attending and delivering their pitches as Pittman challenged the natural succession pattern. He lost, polling just 4,465 votes to 6,075 for Anderson. By contrast Pittman had led the ballot in voting for the board in 1961 with 4,428 votes to 4,268 for runner-up Arthur Sipe from Pennsylvania; he also lead the ballot for board voting again in 1965 with 5,898 votes to 5,249 for runner-up Charles M. Johnson from California. The top board vote total for 1963 was 5,295 for Johnson, followed by 4,859 for Sipe. That was back in the days when ANA election results were reputedly, and I'd say believably, different than what the tabulations as released deemed them to be. Conventions were smaller, campaigning more personal, and the results more speculative in those days, so it was always enjoyable to listen, ponder and anticipate.

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Red Blazers – The inspiration for the now ubiquitous Central States gold blazers was provided at the 1963 convention when the convention committee chairmen were attired in red jackets, so they would stand out in the crowd. This attire was the brainchild of the late Philip More, who served as bourse chairman for the event. It had a precursor, however, one might say, as two or three years earlier the late Glenn B. Smedley, a Chicagoan who was at the time generally involved in some committee capacity at CSNS and ANA conventions, had begun wearing a red cap so he could be more easily located, a tradition that he continued until his death in late 1987.

Attention! – Another Chicago convention recollection that sticks in my mind, from 1965 I believe, involved the pursuit of late night libations. With the bourse closed and our evening meals out of the way, with activity in the lobby winding down, sometime before midnight, a few of us headed out from the Hotel Continental across North Michigan Avenue to a quiet tavern for a nightcap or two. I believe our group numbered Chet Krause, Doug Watson and another person, plus myself. The bar stretched to the back of a narrow, deep room. After seating ourselves around the front of the bar, we observed that the bartender was at the far end engaged in a conversation with the only other patron in the place. After waiting several minutes with no movement on the bartender's part to serve us, Chet offered to get his attention, whereupon he lifted a large glass ashtray from the bar and pitched it to the floor, where it shattered into a zillion pieces. It was effective. We weren't asked to leave. We were served. Chet's action was also uncharacteristic, needless to say, leaving the rest of us in a bit or shock and awe as we enjoyed our libations.

Bloody Mary Breakfasts – Back in the glory days of the Kansas City gang, through the 60s and 70s generally speaking, a highly popular off-program convention event was the Bloody Mary Breakfast, sessions of which were hosted by Betty and the late Ray Lefman. Planned in advance of the opening of the bourse and the beginning of the day's meetings, these affairs were as well attended as the evening hospitality room sessions. Everyone was effusively greeted by Ray, with Betty keeping things under control. They got the day started on a happy note!

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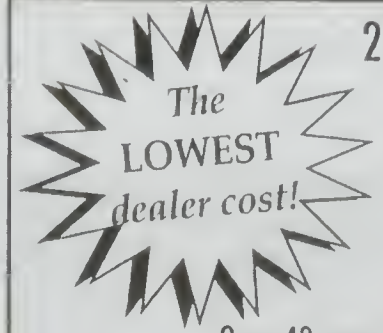

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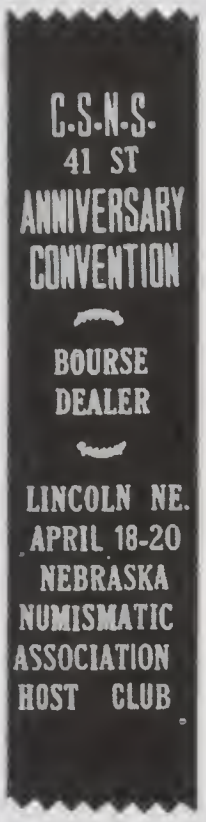

Black Friday – The date of April 18, 1980, is known as the hobby's *Black Friday*, which fell on the opening day of Central States' 41st anniversary convention, following that Thursday's PNG Day session. Hosted in Lincoln, Nebr., that date marked the breaking of the bull marked that had been propelled by the runaway bullion markets that had crested and crashed earlier in the year. In a quirk of fate, the bourse ribbons for that convention were printed in gold on black ribbon stock. That coincidence was called to my attention a few years ago by the late Robert Kutcher, who was assistant general chairman of the event (Larry Rowe, now living in the Pacific Northwest, was general chairman), while Roger Winkelhake was in charge of the bourse. At the time, Bob presented me with one of the leftover ribbons in pristine condition. "There are mixed views of the exact status of the coin market this week," then *Coin Market* editor Bob Wilhite wrote in *Numismatic News* following the convention. "Some dealers seem to fear the worst . . . Several dealers were only interested in selling . . . The buy offers are pretty thin in most cases . . . A lot of sell tapes (are) running daily . . . Sell offers . . . outnumber buys . . . Dealers seem to fear the worst." Thus commenced the beginning of a rather drawn out bear market in U.S. coins.

Smoked Turkey – Speaking of the late Bob Kutcher, who passed away just about a year ago, and who was a long-time anchor of the CSNS crew from Lincoln, Nebr., he was certainly sorely missed by those in attendance at this year's convention. Bob was from the old school, never getting involved at the national level, but a constant contributor and hard worker in his local and state levels. Having served on the Central States board with distinction over many years, his absence will certainly leave a noticeable void in the camaraderie of the organization's conventions and hospitality rooms. For uncounted years, he provided a hospitality room feast in the form of delicious smoked turkeys that were carved on the spot, earning him the moniker "Chef Bob."

Coins may have been his first love, but Bob Kutcher's love of his kitchen ranked a very close second. His roasted turkeys and hams were a delight to everyone who visiting Central States' hospitality rooms. Bob is pictured here carving under the watchful eye of Don Hespe in this 1996 Kansas City snapshot. (This photo was inadvertently misdated in the Fall, 2005, issue of The Centinel.)

Surprise Honor – While attending the annual Awards/VIP breakfast on the Sunday morning of the 2001 CSNS anniversary convention in Indianapolis I was the recipient of an unexpected surprise. Then vice-president Harry Tileston, who hails from Louisville, enrolled me as a member of the Kentucky Colonels, complete with a commission certificate and related paraphernalia. As it so happens I was completely unprepared for the occasion, having arrived at

the breakfast in my walking clothes – sweat pants, T-shirt and tennis shoes – following an hour long morning constitutional, there being no time to return to my room and change as breakfast was being served. You obviously "came dressed for the occasion," then ANA executive director Ed Rochette remarked as I passed him following my front and center appearance for the presentation. Later, Tileston observed to me: "Your uniform was appropriate; that's the way Kentucky Colonels look the morning after their annual barbecue!"

Sweat pants and T-shirt were the "uniform of the day" when Cliff Mishler (right) was commissioned a "Kentucky Colonel" during ceremonies presided over by CSNS vice president Harry Tileston at the 2001 Indianapolis awards breakfast. Needless to say, the affair was a total surprise to Mishler, having completed his morning walk and workout only moments before.

Missed Opportunity – My attendance at the only previous CSNS show in Columbus was a brief one, in on Friday morning and out on Saturday evening, but one recollection I'm left with is having enjoyed a visit to Barley's Brew Pub just across the street from the sprawling Greater Columbus Convention Center. Joel Edler and I had enjoyed lunch there on Saturday during the 2002 event, my selection having been a very good California Reuben sandwich; I'm sure he did not pass up an opportunity for at least one return visit this time around. Activity at that convention was very strong, the supply of samples and literature at the Krause table on the bourse having been depleted to just dribs and drabs remaining by mid-afternoon on Saturday, a dealer on Friday evening having observed to me that the "present market is better than it's been in some time." While those 2002 observations would have ordinarily been difficult measures to live up to, given the current state of the marketplace I'm certain they were probably exceeded this year.

Filched Note Returns – In the previous installment, providing an overview of things heard, overheard, rumored or recalled at the Dearborn show last fall, I had reported on the filching of a note from the inventory of currency dealer Micky Shipley from Devil's Lake, N.D., which I presumed would be the end of the story. Low and behold, however, while attending the 72nd anniversary show of the Northwest Coin Club in the Twin Cities in mid-March, I learned from Micky that the note had been recovered. While attending the 12th annual CPMX show in Chicago the previous weekend, she had happened upon the note while surveying the offerings of Michigan currency dealer Frederick Bart, where it surfaced after passing through the hands of unknown intermediaries. Her eyes were drawn to the 1882 series Date Back $5 of The Miners National Bank of Ishpeming, Mich., when she noted a small piece of the lower right corner margin on the note was broken away. A check of the serial numbers confirmed her suspicions, whereupon Bart graciously relinquished ownership back to Shipley, offering the deferential observation "it's your note" as the note returned to its rightful owner. ..... End of story!

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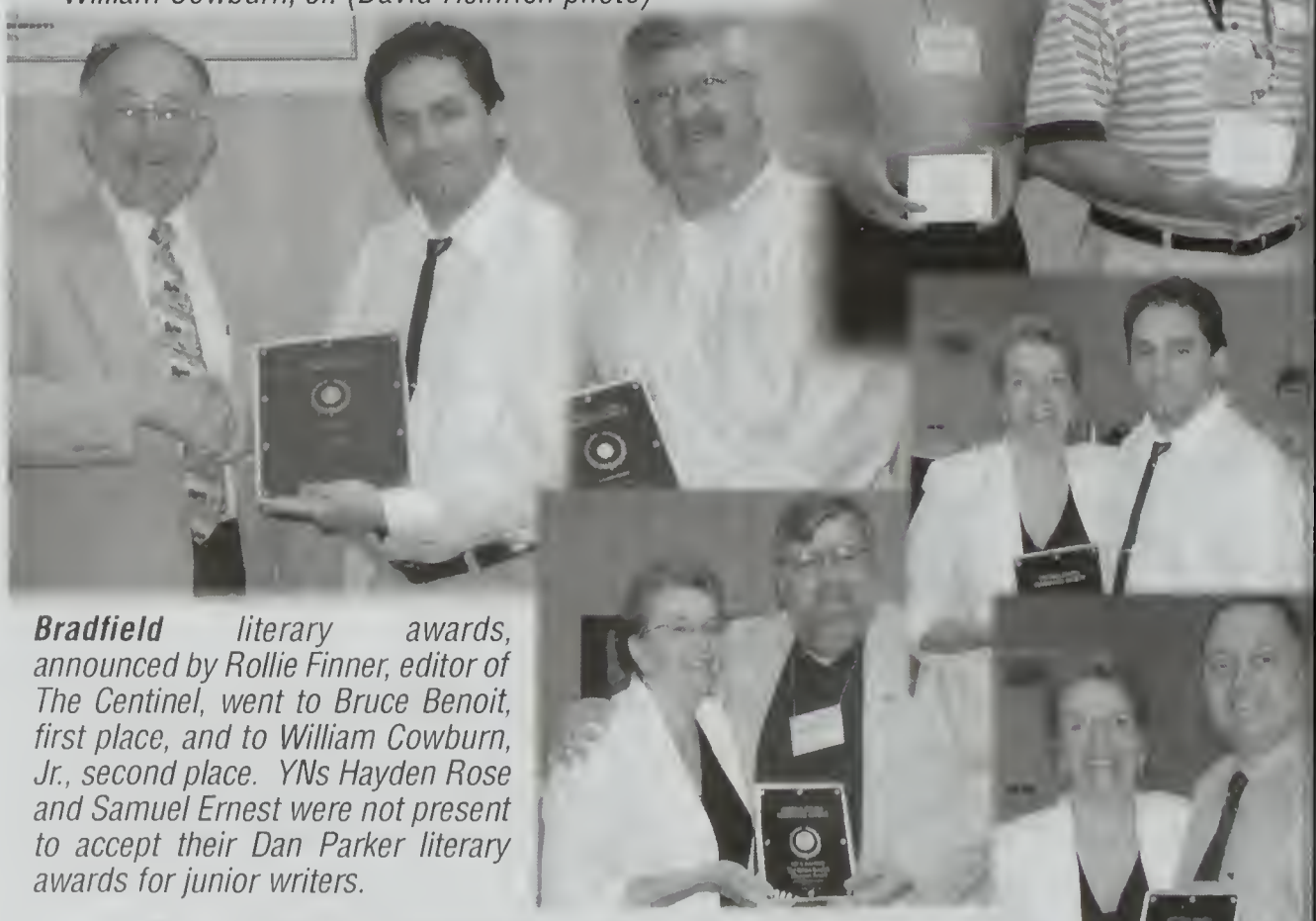
Exhibitors *accepting first place honors were (left to right) Neil Shafer, Wendell Wolka, Thomas Casper, Anna Heinrich, Steve Roach, Tom Havelka, Jim Cain and William Cowburn, Jr. (David Heinrich photo)*



Bradfield *literary awards, announced by Rollie Finner, editor of The Centinel, went to Bruce Benoit, first place, and to William Cowburn, Jr., second place. YNs Hayden Rose and Samuel Ernest were not present to accept their Dan Parker literary awards for junior writers.*

Top exhibiting honors *were won by Wendell Wolka, the Robert Kutcher best-of-show award. Bruce Benoit took the John Jay Pittman most educational award, and Richard Jozefiak accepted the Joseph & Morton Stack award for the best exhibit by a first-t CSNS exhibitor. Exhibit chairperson Fran Lockwood gave awards and hugs to all winn*

nvention 2006

Newly elected *Central States officials took their oaths of office and were sworn in by John Wilson, past CSNS and ANA president. Officers and governors pictured are Marvin Mericle, Paul Padget, Bruce Benoit, William Brandimore, Patti Jagger Finner, Don Charters, Jack Huggins Jr., Glen Jorde, Harry Tileston, James Moores, Karen Jach, Wendell Wolka and W. Ray Lockwood.*

Tips for Safe Coin Show Travel

by Alan V. Weinberg

Reports of recent strong-arm robberies of people returning from major coin shows have prompted retired LAPD Alan Weinberg to provide us with tips on traveling safely. –Editor

One thing is for certain. Given the successful number of thefts and robberies, the thieves and robbers will be back next year in droves.

While there is little to protect a dealer who travels 100 miles away before he is robbed, there are certain things he can do to minimize his exposure.

First, the more expensive items like a $10,000 note or a $4 Stella should be carried in the dealer's pockets when driving home. The robber and thieves almost always want to avoid personal contact; speed and surprise is their mode of operation.

Secondly, a briefcase holding the more valuable items can be concealed in the car's spare tire wheel-well – leave the spare tire at home. So if the trunk is popped or the dealer is robbed, all the thieves will get is what is momentarily visible. They'll miss anything in the wheel well.

[I might add that it couldn't hurt to include a decoy briefcase, perhaps containing junk-filled cardboard coin boxes or PCGS plastic boxes. Thinking it to be loaded with coins, the thieves might choose it over another case. Ideally, the decoy briefcase should closely resemble one carried at the show, perhaps a twin of the one hidden in the wheel well. –Editor]

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Third, upon leaving the show, drive directly to the nearest sheriff or police station and into their parking lot. Stay there for 10 minutes or so. The thieves who are following you will not loiter around in such circumstances.

Fourth, carry a digital camera on the front seat or in your pocket and snap away like mad at the thieves and their vehicle so you have a documented history of the robbery for the police and your insurance company.

Fifth, if your tire blows out or a mechanical failure occurs with the car en route home from the coin show, keep driving until you arrive at a heavily-populated location like a supermarket parking lot, right in front of the market entrance. The odds of a legitimate problem occurring with your car are miniscule – the thieves could have punctured or shot-out your tire or radiator and are waiting for you to stop.

Sixth, although this may sound silly, all occupants of your car should make a restroom visit before leaving the show and driving home, so there is one less reason to make a stop en route. Also, leave the show with a tank full of gas – gas up the night before, not on the way home. Don't stop for food or drink, either. Be prepared the night before or the morning of departure.

Seventh, carry a loaded handgun under the seat or floor mat or in your pocket (not the glove box) and know how and when to use it. A handgun in your briefcase is useless when it is needed immediately.

[Alan's tips are welcome, although number seven is clearly controversial. Each person must decide for themselves what trade-offs to make and which risks to take. –Editor]

It is a misdemeanor to be caught carrying a loaded gun in your vehicle in many states, like Texas. That is specifically why I said not to carry it in the glove box in case you get stopped for a traffic violation and have to give the vehicle registration – in the

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glove box – to the police.

Many dealers already carry a pistol in their briefcase – I've seen it at shows often ... but it is not readily accessible in a street vehicle robbery.

It's a war out there and with their current success, you can bet the thieves will be back again – in greater numbers and acting ever more aggressively. Law enforcement is not likely to charge the coin dealer with a misdemeanor for defending his merchandise. In most cases, should the police officer stopping you spot the gun, but see the merchandise you are carrying and hear your explanation for carrying a loaded firearm, he or she will ignore the gun and the misdemeanor.

Remember, I worked LA's mean streets for 20+ years and know hundreds of other officers who did the same and know how they think and operate. A reasonable explanation coupled with the right attitude will serve the coin dealer well. If the gun is adequately concealed under the driver's car seat or under either side front floor rug, there's no reason for a traffic stop to reveal the gun at all.

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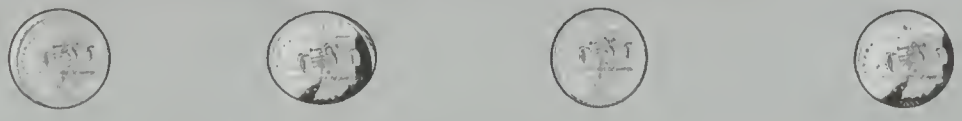

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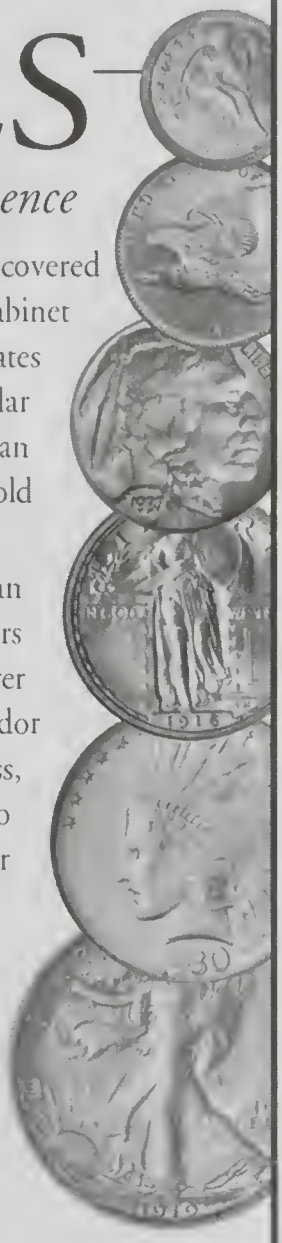

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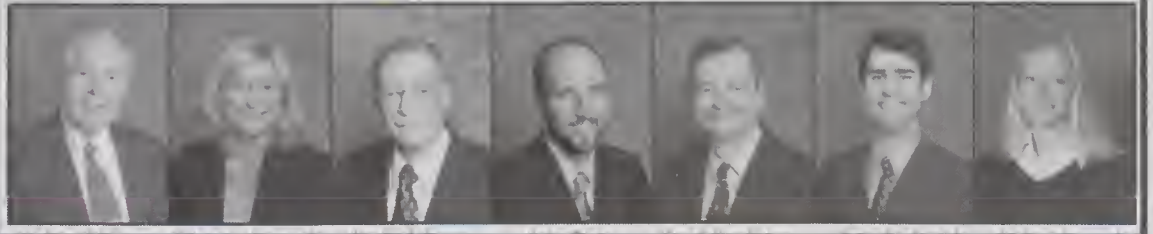

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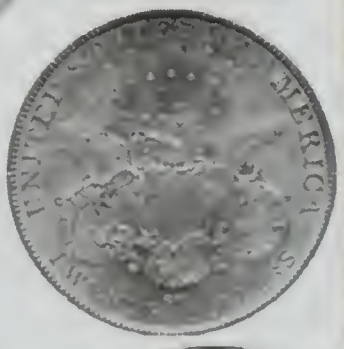

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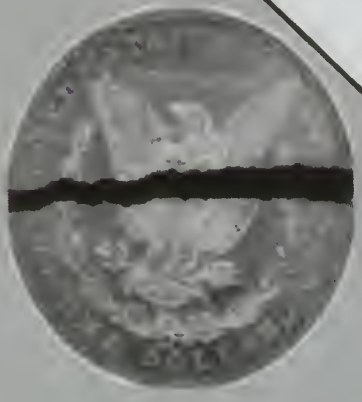

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The Joys of Being an Editor

Silent Vindication

by Fred J. Borgmann

Isn't it amazing how a sudden catalytic event can bring back memories buried for over a decade?

While flipping through the pages of the *Standard Catalog of World Coins* (SCWC) the other day, I suddenly found myself face-to-face with a French 1 franc coin, KM-1014, which caused me to flash back to 1994. The 1993-dated French coin was issued to cash-in on the 50th anniversary of the Normandy Invasion.

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As new issues editor, I wrote up the coin using a French Mint brochure which did not include any issue prices. (Perhaps the French thought that the coin was priceless!) Those were the good old pre-internet days and my English language letter to the Paris Mint remained unanswered. What was I to do?

I wrote up the coin and estimated it's value at $25 in uncirculated and $50 in proof. This was then published in the October 10, 1994, issue of *World Coin News* Roundup. Shortly thereafter I was suddenly summoned by our then executive vice president (who will remain nameless) to his office.

It turned out that the French Mint – or one of our valuable advertisers – had complained that my estimates were below issue price and ruining their business. There was no defending myself. Our executive vice president, who knew nothing about coins, was certain that I knew even less! How dare I state that a mint issue price does not always reflect the actual market value? I was never to use my judgment again!

To make a long story short, I told a little white lie and made the required promise that this sort of thing would never happen again.

My life and my career went on, and eventually the incident was forgotten and our former executive vice president is now seeking a new position, but that's not the end of the story.

Let's go back to the catalog listing of the French 1 franc, KM-1014. What value is listed for the coin in the current edition? How about $14 in uncirculated and $30 in proof!

I guess my original estimates were wrong. The coin is worth *even less* than I originally thought!!

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W. Ray Lockwood

History of Central States

Part 14 — 1968-1970

The 1968 Central States convention was held April 19-21 on the fourth and fifth floors of the Sheraton-Cadillac Hotel in Detroit. Co-chairmen were Daniel Parker and CSNS vice president Ben Stocker. Stocker handled bourse applications and Parker was in charge of exhibits. These men were excellent marketeers and promised an outstanding convention.

For the first time in several years, a PNG Day was held on the day before the convention opened to the general public. Charles Hoskins, director of the Detroit Money Museum, led an educational forum on Friday evening. Following the forum, the 1966-68 CSNS officers held their final board meeting. The bourse and exhibit areas remained open until 10 p.m.

The Society's annual general membership meeting was held at 10 a.m. on Saturday during which the new officers for 1968-1970 were introduced: President Ben Stocker of Detroit; First Vice President George D. Hatie of Michigan; Second Vice President Ray O. Lefman of Kansas City; Secretary/Treasurer F. Stevens Epps of Michigan. Governors introduced were C. A. M. Smith (MI), Richard E. Peterson (IL), August F. Hausske (IL), Erwin C. Gerber (WI), Don W. Jensen (IA), Philip L. Budd (IA), David L. Cooper (MO), Ray M. Janda (MO), James B. Shirey (IN), Clifford Lindall (IN), Ralph D. Hardman, Jr. (KS), Sol Kaplan (OH), and John J. Gabarron (NE).

The Michigan Token & Medal Society and the Paper Money Club of Michigan held meetings during the 1968 convention. The annual awards banquet was held at 9 p.m. on Saturday.

Central States celebrated its 30th birthday in 1969 with a return to its birthplace, Chicago, May 2-4. The celebration was tempered by a sobering editorial in the January, 1969, issue of *The Centinel*, written by Editor Howard B. Eisenberg. He noted the organization's lack of growth and vitality and laid the blame at the feet of the governors. He listed problems such as poor attendance at the semi-annual board meeting, "do-nothingness," lack of responsibility, hesitancy to act, committees that failed

1969 – Chicago: The golden anniversary of the founding of the Chicago Coin Club was marked with the issuance of a handsome 2-1/4" medal designed and sculpted by Elgin artist Trygve Rovelstad, best known to collectors for the 1936 Elgin commemorative half dollar and the Pioneer Memorial that now stands on the banks of the Fox River in downtown Elgin, Illinois.

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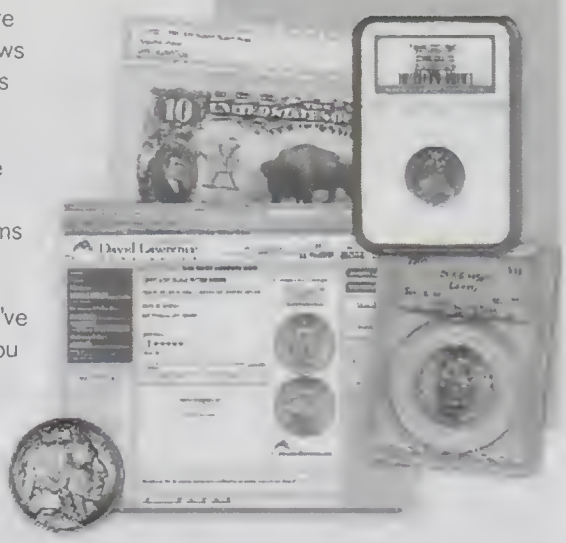

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1995 – Milwaukee: As the awards banquet ended, CSNS President Kevin Foley and his wife, Rhoda (center) had time to visit with family and friends. At the right is Sophie Brink, and at the table doing what girls do are Pam Ganz, and Andrea and Patricia Foley.

to function, and cliques. Eisenberg went on to suggest eight structural changes to improve the organization.

The Chicago Coin Club which hosted the 1969 Central States convention celebrated its 50th anniversary at the same time. Interestingly enough, the same Howard Eisenberg who wrote the scathing editorial served as general chairman. The convention was held in the Sheraton-Chicago Hotel and featured two types of registration: *Paid* ($1.00) which included a commemorative token, souvenir badge, souvenir program, auction catalog and entrance to the hospitality room; *Free* which included only a paper stick-on name badge. The hospitality room was sponsored by The Franklin Mint. Rare Coin Company of America, Chicago, held a two-day auction featuring the choice U.S. coins of CSNS board member August F. Hausske.

Sixty-five dealers were present in the sold-out bourse. Ladies enjoyed a luncheon and cooking demonstration, and the Saturday night banquet was emceed by Lee F. Hewitt, CSNS Honorary President. The major convention education program was a panel of distinguished numismatists discussing the topic: "Numismatics as Part of a College Curriculum: Fact or Fiction." Panelists were William Pettit, Dr. and Mrs. Vladimir Clain-Stefanelli and Alan Feinberg.

Note: Shortly after the conclusion of the 1969 convention, the outspoken *Centinel* editor, Howard Eisenberg, resigned. He was replaced by Betty K. Ebert, editor of the Old Fort Coin Club's *Coin Chatter* in Fort Wayne, IN. But after producing three issues of *The Centinel,* Miss Ebert was forced to resign due to advanced lung cancer. Sadly, she passed away August 18, 1970.

1970 began with an increase of membership dues: from $2 to $3, and life memberships from $40 to $60.

This was also an election year with a contest for the presidency on the ballot. George Hatie, a corporate lawyer from Grosse Point Park, MI, ran against Sol Kaplan, well-known Cincinnati coin dealer and an organizer of the Professional Numismatist Guild. Only eight candidates were on the ballot to fill the thirteen available positions. Mr. Hatie won the presidency with a vote of 257 to 177. Unopposed were David L. Cooper of Missouri for vice president, and F. S. Epps from Homer, MI, for secretary-treasurer. Elected as governors were: Philip L. Budd (IA), Ralph D. Hardman, Jr. (KS), Oliver W. Horton (IL), Ray O. Lefman (MO), Daniel C. Parker (MI), William Pettit (IL), Cy A. Pherson (ND), and C. A. M. Smith (MI).

Following the tragic death of *The Centinel* editor, Betty Ebert, Secretary Epps chose a personal friend and fellow physician, Frank J. Chase of Tekonsha, MI, to be the next editor.

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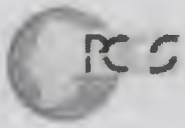

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1970's convention took place in the Pick-Carter Hotel in Cleveland. A special feature of the convention was a three-session auction by Paramount International Coin Corporation. A PNG Day preceded the CSNS event on Thursday, May 21. All convention activities except the membership meeting and banquet were held on the mezzanine floor.

Newly elected president, George Hatie made several important decisions at the board meeting following the convention: 1. The appointment of a committee to revise the convention manual and add emphasis to the oversight role of CSNS officers for the work of host clubs; 2. The establishment of a CSNS 'speakers bureau' and 'exhibit judges roster;' 3. A review of the by-laws related to expulsion of members involved in criminal charges; and 4. A review of the Medal of Merit Award guidelines.

Medals of Merit were awarded at the convention to terminally ill Betty Ebert and to Max L. Kaplan.

Future conventions were awarded to St. Louis for 1971 and to Milwaukee for 1972.

1961 – Minneapolis: The familiar skylines of St. Paul and Minneapolis were the dominant features of the 19th anniversary convention medal and badge.

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812-284-6711
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Sat., Sept. 23, 4 p.m.
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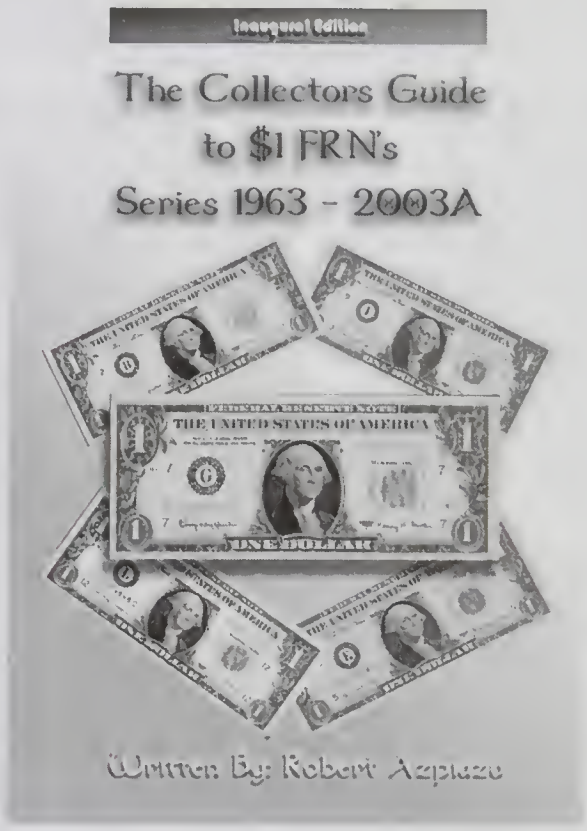
Jim Brown, 502-228-4279



Inaugural Edition
"The Collectors Guide to $1 FRN's"
Series 1963- 2003-A
Robert Azpiazu

The book provides valuations and detailed information on each of the 22 Series that have been printed. Here are some of the details described in the book.

- Each series features a summary that evaluates each block printed and points out which blocks are rare and which are common.
- Check List Feature lets you keep track of what you have and what you need.
- Discusses Mules for several series and other possible related discoveries.
- Includes details for all engraving errors printed.
- Gives many suggestions on how to collect $1 FRN's.
- Provides Values for Low & Fancy Numbers, Solids and Ladders.
- Breaks down all blocks printed in both Washington and Fort Worth with the exact serial number ranges.
- Provides valuations for all District Sets and Type sets.
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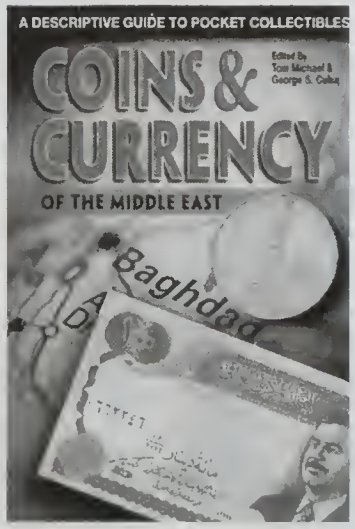
Business Briefs

Mid East Coinage Covered



Soldiers returning from war and other conflicts have brought home a steady stream of coins and currency. For the soldiers, their families and collectors, the money represents much more than keepsakes and pocket change.

For those wanting to know more about the coins and currency, KP Books has released *Coins & Currency of the Middle East,* edited by Tom Michael and George S. Cuhaj. This descriptive, full-color reference offers identification and collector values for the coins, paper money and other collectibles soldiers may have brought home.

Each chapter contains an informative introduction, plenty of color photos of soldiers interacting with foreign civilians and the front and back images of the coins and currency. Pogs, medals, tokens, books, comic books, propaganda leaflets and personal mementos are also covered. Various resources supply conflict timelines, maps and numeral and date systems.

Iraq, Kuwait, Afghanistan, Somalia, Pakistan and Iran are among the countries covered.

Coins & Currency of the Middle East is available from major bookstores, online sellers and from KP Books, 800-258-0929 or www.krausebooks.com.

New Web Sites Available

Two new web sites have been activated by currency dealer John Yasuk of Miami. Both sites contain all types of paper money and specialize in Florida-related material, with emphasis on obsolete, territorial and state notes, as well as Florida broken bank notes. There is also a selection of material by "money artist" JSG Boggs.

Yasuk's new sites are www.floridacalls.com and www.jsgboggsmarketplace.com . He can be reached at 305-256-7201 or john@floridacalls.com.

Smythe '06 Auction Calendar

Smythe of New York, specialists in all areas of financial history, have announced their auction schedule for the remainder of 2006.

July 11-12: paper money, stock and bond sale (featuring part 7 of the Schingoethe collection of obsolete currency); **September 26:** fall coin sale; **October 11-12:** paper money sale (featuring part 8 of the Schingoethe collection of obsolete currency); **November:** fall autograph sale; and **December 12-13:** paper money sale (featuring part 9 of th Schingoethe collection).

Complete information on Smythe's coming sales can be had by calling 212-943-1880 or at info@smytheonline.com. Or you may visit their web site: smytheonline.com. All sale dates are subject to change.

Club News & Happenings

South Shore (Milwaukee)

Quiet times during **South Shore Coin Club's** spring show, April 20-22, gave dealers – Jerry Borgardt, Don Holz and Jesse Miles – the chance to swap coins and

tall tales and short stories! Kids who visited the club's table were treated with assorted activities and goodies. (Rollie Finner photos)

Quad Cities

The threat of possible bad weather may have kept attendance to less than expected at the **Quad Cities (Milan, Illinois)** April 2nd show, but it didn't stop dozens of young collectors from taking part in the annual YN auction! Auctioneers

Mike Roberts, David Gould and Jeff Struve kept the YN activities moving along at a good pace as they called the sale of several hundred items donated by attending dealers. (Rollie Finner photos)

Nebraska State

William Horton, Jr., president of the American Numismatic Association, was the guest speaker at the banquet of the **Nebraska Numismatic Association,** March 25, as the state group marked its 51st convention in Omaha. Horton preceded his remarks concerning the current activities of the ANA by presenting a citation commemorating the event to NNA president Ken Graham. (Rollie Finner photos)

Samuel Ernst, a first-time exhibitor, went home with the YN best-of-show award. Ron Matson (left), show chairman and president of the Omaha Coin Club, and Ken Graham, president of the Nebraska Numismatic Association, had the honor of making the presentation. (Rollie Finner photo)

Countryside, IL

Ninety-five boy and girl scouts – more than double the number anticipated – took part in a coin collecting merit badge forum, March 12, during the **Countryside** Coin & Collectibles show in Countryside, IL. Conducted by Patti Finner, certified merit badge counselor (and ANA and CSNS governor), the large group resorted to sitting on the floor, due to inadequate seating. Response to the two-hour session was so gratifying that officials of ILNA, Illinois state organization, are scheduling a similar scouting program as part of their fall convention in Countryside, Sept. 7-10. Further information is available from show organizer Kevin Wasmer (815-432-4636).

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Library Support Program

With the education of interested coin collectors and the general public as the primary objective of Central States Numismatic Society, the Society is pleased to assist member clubs in acquiring reference materials for school and public libraries, subject to the following conditions:

1. A club must be a member of CSNS for at least two (2) years to be eligible for participation.

2. CSNS will provide up to $250 annually to each club in matching funds. In total, CSNS will provide $1,000 annually for this program, providing adequate funds are available.

3. The club must submit a letter to the CSNS Education Committee for review. The letter shall contain information as to the names of the schools and/or public libraries that would be the beneficiaries, items to be purchased and the estimated cost of the items.

4. Both Amos Press (*Coin World*) and Krause Publications (*Numismatic News*) have agreed to provide pricing discounts for this program.

5. Upon approval by the CSNS Education Committee, a letter from CSNS will be sent to the club notifying it that it has ninety (90) days in which to complete the project.

6. The club must provide CSNS documentation, such as receipts, for the acquisitions, along with evidence the material has been placed in libraries.

7. CSNS will then reimburse the club 50% of the purchase total, up to $250. Grants will be based on need and overall requests for support. It is possible an amount less than $250 will be authorized.

8. CSNS will consider requests on a first-come, first-served basis. Should a waiting list be necessary, requests will be considered during subsequent years in order of receipt.

9. In reviewing applications, the Education Committee will give consideration to a library's need for numismatic literature and the type of material requested. Narrowly focused material will be given lower priority than will be given basic numismatic literature.

10. Requests should be directed to: Education Committee, c/o Marvin Mericle, PO Box 26, Prairie Creek, IN 47869. Phone: 812-898-1260; e-mail: marv626@att.net.

Visit The CSNS Website

www.centralstates.info

Speakers Bureau

The Central States Numismatic Society offers the following list of qualified speakers who are willing to present programs on a variety of numismatic topics. These individuals will present talks at coin shows, club banquets, service club functions or similar events. All speakers appear on a "no fee" basis; however reimbursement for travel and lodging is appropriate. If your organization wishes to engage a speaker, use the contact information that follows.

Bill Brandimore, 1009 Nina Ave., Wausau, WI 54401. Current CSNS president. Will speak on general paper money topics.

Brian E. Fanton, PO Box 81, Hiawatha, IA 52233-0081. Ph. 319-294-4377. Past CSNS governor. Programs on grading, boy and girl scout merit badge programs, slabbing, the 'art of coin collecting,' and general numismatic topics.

Kevin Foley, PO Box 589, Milwaukee, WI 53201. Ph. 414-421-3498. Past president of CSNS, major show organizer. Programs on U. S. paper money, including national bank notes, fractional currency, large size notes and obsolete currency.

Robert Hatfield, 8728 Huron, Taylor, MI 48180. Ph. 313-292-8321. Past CSNS governor. Programs on medals and tokens, obsolete currency, ancient Roman coins, seated Liberty coins and general numismatic topics.

Leon Hendrickson, PO Box 424, Winchester, IN 47394. Ph. 317-584-7481. Past CSNS president, owner of SilverTowne. Programs on general numismatic topics.

Jerry Lebo, PO Box 841, Logansport, IN 46947. Ph. 574-753-2489. Current CSNS secretary/treasurer, past president of Indianapolis Coin Club. Programs on general numismatic topics.

Ray Lockwood, 2075 E. Bocock Rd., Marion, IN 46952. Ph. 765-664-6520. Past president of CSNS and of Indiana State Numismatic Association. Programs on bimetallic coins, 'birth year' collecting, and topics of interest to YNs.

Marvin Mericle, PO Box 26, Prairie Creek, IN 47869. Past CSNS president. Will speak on Military Payment Certificates and general paper money topics.

Harry Tileston, 901 Farmingham Rd., Louisville, KY 40242. Ph. 502-244-2555. Past president of CSNS and of Kentucky State Numismatic Association. Programs on U. S. type collecting, U. S. token collecting, and foreign coins.

DATE CHANGE: Applications for ANA '07 Summer Seminar Scholarship Program must be submitted prior to **August 1, 2006**.
(See page 52 for details.)

"COINS IN THE CLASSROOM" TEACHER SCHOLARSHIP

The Central States Numismatic Society, as part of its initiatives to promote coins, paper money and other numismatic items as a means of teaching history, economics and other important subjects to students, has established a scholarship that includes tuition, room, board and transportation to the American Numismatic Association's Summer Seminar in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Guidelines:

- The only Summer Seminar class qualifying for this scholarship is "Coins in the Classroom" and the only approved location is Colorado Springs, Colorado.

- The recipient must be a resident of, and teach in, one of the states that is geographically part of the Central States Numismatic Society territory: Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, Ohio, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

- The recipient must be a member of the Central States Numismatic Society before accepting the scholarship.

- The recipient should be teaching Middle School level children (grades 6-8), as this is the focus of the ANA class.

- All scholarship requests must be submitted by Aug. 1 to the scholarship committee.

- The scholarship should be used at the following year's Summer Seminar, although a one-year extension may be considered on a case-by-case basis.

- The Central States Numismatic Society Board of Governors shall determine the number of teacher scholarships to be awarded each year, although the working number is one.

- The maximum value of each scholarship is $1,200 unless adjusted by action of the CSNS Board.

- The Central States Numismatic Society liability waiver must be completed.

"Coins in the Classroom"

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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School/Grade(s) _____

School Address _____

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Phone _____ E-mail _____

On a separate piece of paper, please answer the following questions:

1. How and why will this class benefit you and/or your school?
2. Is the school public or private? Is there a tuition fee?
3. Who are your students (tell us a bit about the makeup and back grounds of your students)?
4. What, if any, is your numismatic background?
5. Please list at least two references from your school. One should be your principal or the person to whom you report.
6. Please include any additional information that would help acquaint us with you, your subject area and/or your school.

Applicant's Signature _____

Date _____

Central States Numismatic Society
Scholarship Committee
P.O. Box 841
Logansport, IN 46947

CSNS SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM — SUMMER 2007 —

The President and Board of Governors of the Central States Numismatic Society are pleased to announce the availability of an Adult Scholarship and a Young Numismatist Scholarship for Society members to attend the Summer Seminar educational program of the American Numismatic Association in Colorado Springs, Colorado. The Summer Seminar is a week-long series of educational lectures held each year at ANA headquarters on the campus of Colorado College. Award includes tuition, room and board, as well as coach-class airfare from the airport nearest the awardee's place of legal residence. The approximate value of the award is $1,200. Applicants should apply by letter and will be judged primarily on the basis of past contributions to organized numismatics. Examples of activities considered to enhance an application include service as a local, regional, or national numismatic organization officer; publication of numismatically related articles; a history of exhibiting at coin shows and other numismatic exhibitions; as well as service on the staff of local, regional, or national coin shows or numismatic conventions. Applications should be submitted prior to **August 1, 2006**.

For information about Scholarships, contact:

Jerry Lebo
P.O. Box 841
Logansport, IN 46947
Ph. 574-753-2489

SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

NAME_____ CSNS# _____
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PHONE_____ DATE OF BIRTH_____

NAME OF NUMISMATIC ORGANIZATIONS TO WHICH YOU BELONG

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GIVE COIN CLUB NAMES AND THEIR COMMITTEES ON WHICH YOU SERVED DURING THE LAST TWO YEARS_____

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LIST OTHER CLUBS AND ACTIVITIES IN WHICH YOU ARE NOW OR RECENTLY HAVE PARTICIPATED. (SCHOOL, 4-H, CHURCH, SCOUTS). PLEASE INDICATE IF YOU WERE AN OFFICER IN ANY. _____

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LIST ANY NUMISMATIC EXHIBITS YOU HAVE DISPLAYED IN THE LAST TWO YEARS. (LOCATION, CLUB AND AWARDS WON)

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LIST ANY NUMISMATIC TALKS GIVEN IN THE LAST TWO YEARS (SUBJECT MATTER, LENGTH OF TALK, GRADE OR AWARD) _____

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LIST ANY NUMISMATIC ARTICLES WRITTEN IN THE LAST TWO YEARS. (SUBJECT, NAME OF PUBLICATION & LENGTH) _____

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LIST ANY OTHER INFORMATION ABOUT YOURSELF YOU THINK MIGHT BE IMPORTANT._____

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YOUR SIGNATURE _____ DATE_____

PARENT SIGNATURE _____ DATE_____

SUBMIT YOUR APPLICATION NO LATER THAN AUG. 1, 2006

Coin Club Meetings

The following roster of CSNS member coin clubs is published for the convenience of collectors visiting the Central States area who may wish to attend a local club meeting. Individuals are urged to phone or e-mail ahead to confirm meeting times and locations.

ILLINOIS

Central Illinois Numismatic Association (CINA)...meets at 7:00 p.m. the 2nd Thursday each month at the Knights of Columbus Hall, North Council #4175, 2801 West St., Springfield, IL. (No meetings in August or December.) Contact: Steve Butler, 217-528-7634.

Chicago Coin Club...meets the 2nd Wednesday of each month, 7:00p.m., at the Dearborn Center, downtown Chicago, 131 So. Dearborn, 6th floor Conference Room 6A (right off the elevator lobby). NOTE: Due to increased security measures at the meeting building, it is necessary to give a club officer the names of all guests prior to the meeting day, and everyone must show photo ID and register at the guard's desk. Contact: Robert W. Feiler, president, 630-668-0339.

Indian Hill Coin Club...meets the 2nd Wednesday each month, 8:00 p.m. at the Avon Township Hall on Washington St. in Round Lake Park, IL. Contact: Mike Hanninen, 847-872-2725.

Lake County Coin Club...meets at 7:00 p.m. the 1st Tuesday each month at the Warren-Newport Library, 224 No. O'Plaine Road (just No. of Washington St.), Gurnee, IL. (No meetings if 1st Tuesday conflicts with major holiday.) Contact: Les Hannula, 847-662-1955.

Oak Forest Numismatic Society...meets at 7:00 p.m. the 1st Thursday each month at Bremen Township Hall, 15350 Oak Park Ave., Oak Forest, IL. Contact: Howard Ribbentrop, 708-687-2919; e-mail: dianhow@aol.com.

Rockford Area Coin Club...meets at 6:30 p.m. the 3rd Thursday each month at the Loves Park Library, 6340 No. 2nd St., Loves Park, IL. Contact: Don Smith, 815-624-0422; web/info: http://www.exonumia.com/racc.htm.

Will County Coin Club...meets at 7:30 p.m. the 1st Thursday each month at Ramada Inn Limited, I-80 & Houbolt Road, Joliet, IL. Contact: Mark Wieclaw, 815-485-4137.

INDIANA

Calumet Numismatic Society...meets in Highland, IN on the 3rd Wednesday each month at the Highland Public Library, 2841 Jewett St. (No meetings in January or February.) Contact: Mrs. Daisy Talley, secretary/treasurer, 219-942-1349.

Logansport Coin Club...meets on the 3rd Wednesday each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Logansport Public Library, 7th & Broadway, Logansport, IN. Contact: Dave Colford, 574-753-9887.

Marion Coin Club...meets the 1st Monday each month at 6:30 p.m. – except August and September – at the Marion Public Library, 600 So. Washington St., Marion, IN. Contact: Ray Lockwood, 765-664-6520, or e-mail: sunrayofmarion@aol.com.

Muncie Coin & Stamp Club...meets at 7:00 p.m. the 2nd Tuesday each month at the Minnestria Cultural Center (on Minnestria Parkway, just off Wheeling Ave.) Contact: Ray Saylor, 765-288-0371.

Old Fort Coin Club...meets every 2nd Thursday, 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Good Shepherd United Methodist Church, 4700 Vance Ave., Fort Wayne, IN. Contact: 260-482-9890.

Wabash Valley Coin Club...meets at 7:00 p.m. the 4th Tuesday each month at the Vigo County Library, corner of 7th & Poplar, Terre Haute, IN. Contact: Marvin Mericle, 812-898-1260, or e-mail: marv626@att.net.

IOWA

Ames Coin Club...meets the last Wednesday each month, 7:30 p.m., at the Heartland Senior Citizen Center, 205 Walnut. Contact: Scott Nichols, 515-232-9222 or 515-291-8352.

Cedar Rapids Coin Club...meets the 3rd Wednesday each month – except June and July – at Papich-Kuba Annex, 1300 Second St. SE, Cedar Rapids, IA. Contact: Dean Parr, 319-366-0552, or e-mail: drparr@aol.com. Website: www.money.org/clubs/crcc/index.html.

KANSAS

Johnson County Numismatic Society...meets at 7:15 p.m. the 3rd Thursday each month at the Lenexa Community Center, Pflumm Road at Santa Fe Trail Drive, Lenexa, KS. (No meeting – coin show only – in October.) Contact: Mark McWherter, 913-649-7070 (days) or 913-764-0386 (evenings).

Salina Coin Club...meets the 2nd Thursday each month at the VFW Post #1432, 1108 W. Crawford St., Salina, KS except for picnic in Sept., coin show in Oct., and party in Dec. Contacts: Larry Hower, 785-452-9331; Joe Ayotte, 785-825-0706.

KENTUCKY

Louisville Coin Club...meets the 3rd Sunday each month – except December – at 2:00 p.m. at the Holiday Inn Downtown, 2nd & Broadway, Louisville, KY. Contact: Harry Tileston, 502-244-2555.

MICHIGAN

Dearborn Coin Club...meets the 1st Tuesday of September thru June at the Ross McFadden House in Dearborn, MI. (No meetings in July or August.) Contact: 313-563-6437.

Kalamazoo Numismatic Club...meets the 2nd & 4th Wednesdays, 7:30 p.m., at the Westminster Presbyterian Church (children's choir room), 1515 Helen St., Kalamazoo, MI. (Auctions on 2nd Wed.; educational programs on 4th. No 4th Wed. meetings in Nov. & Dec.) Contact: Roxanne Nigg, 269-349-5383.

Lincoln Coin Club...meets 2nd & 4th Mondays (except on major holidays) at the Polish Falcons Meeting Hall, Toledo-Dix, in Southgate, MI. Contact: Troy Haarala, 313-381-1287.

Northwest Detroit Coin Club...meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays at 15218 Farmington Road, Livonia, MI. (No meetings during summer months.) Contact: Donald F. Priebe, 734-425-9225.

The Polish American Numismatic Society...meets at 1:30 p.m. on the 1st Saturday of each month at the American Polish Cultural Center, 2975 E. Maple Road (at Dequindre), Troy, MI. Contact: Les Rosik, PANS President, 248-909-2670.

MINNESOTA

College City Coin Club...meets the 1st Wednesday each month, 7:30 p.m. at the Northfield Community Center, Senior Citizens Hall, 1651 Jefferson Pky., Northfield, MN. Contact: Jerry Swanson, 507-289-5099.

Owatonna Coin & Stamp Club...meets the 3rd Thursday, 7:30 p.m. at the Senior Place, Park & Rec. Dept., 500 Dunnell Dr., Owatonna, MN. (No meetings in July, August or December.) Contact: Dean Jirousek, 507-455-2484.

Rochester Area Coin Club...meets the last Wednesday each month, 7:00 p.m. at the Law Enforcement Center, Rooms 2A & B, 101 – 4th St. SE, Rochester, MN. Contact: Jerry Swanson, 507-289-5099.

NEBRASKA

Lincoln Coin Club...meets the 2nd Thursday at 7:30 p.m. at Hampton Inn So., 5922 Vandervoort Dr. (59th & Old Cheney Road (behind Lazlow's), Lincoln, NE. Contact: Barry Nowak, 402-483-4499.

Omaha Coin Club...meets the 3rd Friday with YN meeting at 7:00 p.m. and regular meeting at 7:30 p.m. at Paralyzed Veterans of America, 7612 Maple St., Omaha, NE. Contact: Ron Matson, 402-895-7715.

NORTH DAKOTA

Capital City Coin Club...meets at 7:00 p.m. the 1st Tuesday of September thru May at the Bismarck Public Library, Bismarck, ND. Contacts: Larry Schneider, 701-258-9438 or capitalcitycoinclub@bis.midco.net.

Red River Valley Coin Club ...meets from Labor Day to Memorial Day (no summer meetings) every 1st & 3rd Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m., at the Moorhead (MN) Public Library, 118 – 5th St. So. Contact: Bill O'Brien, PO Box 10731, Fargo, ND 58106; 701-239-4827.

OHIO

CNS / COINS (Columbus)...meets the 3rd Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. at the Grandview High School cafeteria. (Picnic in August; Christmas dinner in December.) Contact: Evan Brill, secretary, 614-451-5055.

WISCONSIN

Kenosha Coin Club...meets the 1st Thursday each month (no meetings in July and August), 7:00 p.m. at Kenosha Union Hall, 3030 – 39th Ave., Kenosha, WI. Contact: Jerry Binsfeld, 262-657-4653 (days); 262-654-6272 (nights).

Milwaukee Numismatic Society...meets at 7:30 p.m. on the 3rd Thursday at Mayfair Mall Community Room, 2500 No. Mayfair Rd. in Wauwatosa, WI. (Use entrance #2 on east side of mall). Contact: Bruce Benoit, 414-282-8128; e-mail: benwab@sbcglobal.net.

Nicolet Coin Club...meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays, 7:00 p.m. at Stein Supper Club, 126 So. Adams, Green Bay, WI. Contact: Don Long, 920-468-7760.

Ozaukee Coin Club...meets at 7:00 p.m. on 2nd Thursday at Rose Harms Legion Post, 1540 – 13th Ave., Grafton, WI. Contact: John Helm, 262-376-9503, PO Box 832, Cedarburg, WI 53012.

Racine Numismatic Society...meets the 2nd Thursday each month (no meetings in July and August), 7:00 p.m. at Castlewood Restaurant, 2815 Wisconsin St. (across from Amtrak Depot), Sturtevant, WI. Contact: Jerry Binsfeld, 262-657-4653 (days); 262-654-6272 (nights).

South Shore Coin Club...meets at 7:30 p.m. the 2nd Tuesday of each month (except no meetings in July and August) at St. Roman's Church Annex, 1710 W. Bolivar Ave., Milwaukee, WI. Contact: Bruce Benoit, 414-282-8128; e-mail: benwab@sbcglobal.net.

Waukesha Coin Club...meets at 7:00 p.m. the 1st Wednesday at the Waukesha Salvation Army office, 445 Madison St., Waukesha, WI. Contact: Forrest Schumacher, 262-524-3227; e-mail: fschumacher@wi.rr.com.

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1936-P	4	15	28
1936-D	15	40	60
1936-S	16	45	100
1937-P	6	16	29
1937-D	25	80	165
1937-S	19	45	125
1938-P	7	30	50
1938-D	145	190	385
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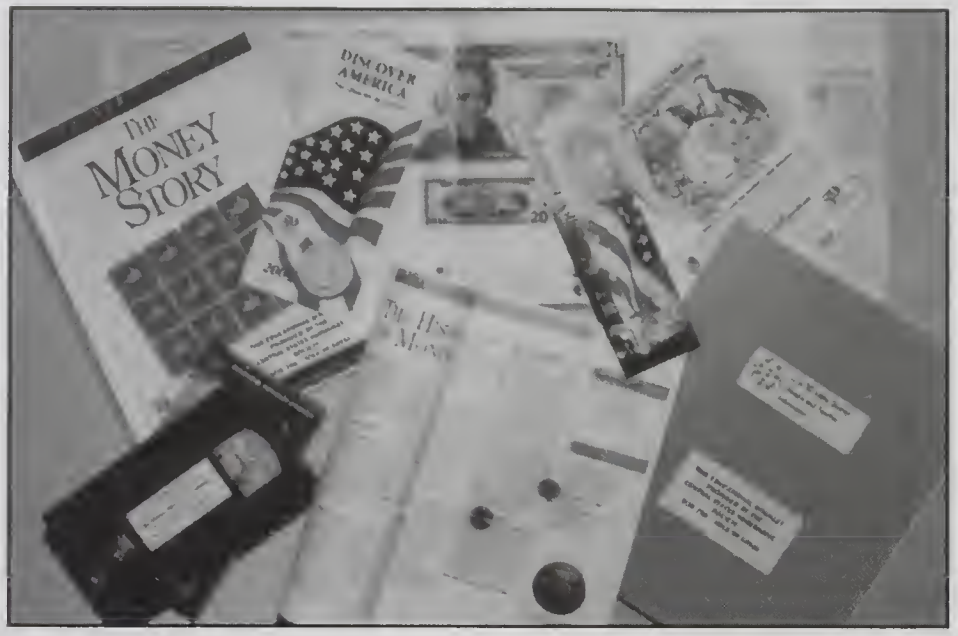

Classroom Materials Offered

...while supplies last!!

More than 300 kits of educational materials have been distributed to scout leaders and grade school teachers in the Central States area since the first packets of teaching aids were made available late last year. Kits consist of a 33-minute video accompanied by teachers' manuals, illustrated information on the 50-state quarter program, and other materials provided by the U. S. Mint, the Bureau of Engraving & Printing, the Professional Currency Dealers Association and Central States Numismatic Society.

In addition to discussing the collecting of coins, such subjects as history, economics, the production and uses of coins and currency are well covered.

Funded entirely by CSNS, the kits continue to be offered free of charge to teachers and scout leaders of the Central States area upon request to CSNS Gov. Patti Finner (PO Box 296, Iola, WI 54945; phone: 715-445-4787; e-mail: pfinner@athenet.net). Requests must include complete names, addresses, and phone numbers of the schools/troops, instructors, classes and grades to be taught. Instructors are provided a response card for comments on the program.

Coin Show Calendar

The "Coin Show Calendar" is a regular feature of each issue of The Centinel *and is intended to assist collectors and dealers in planning their future show attendance and to aid show sponsors in avoiding date conflicts.*

Show Officials: Send complete information regarding your coming event to The Centinel *well in advance - 6 to 18 months - and include dates, official name, sponsoring club name, location and address, and contact person's name, mailing and/or e-mail address, and telephone/fax number to the Editor, P.O. Box 296, Iola, WI 54945.*

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Rosemont, IL – June 23-25
25th Annual MidAmerica Coin Expo. Donald E. Stephens Convention Center. Contact: Kevin Foley, 414-421-3484; email: kfoley2@wi.rr.com.

Niagara Falls, Ont., Canada – July 20-23
Canadian Numismatic Association (CNA) Annual Convention. Sheraton Fallsview Hotel. Contact: John Regitko, gen. chairman, 416-223-5980, cnainfo@look.ca; Dick Dunn, bourse, cpms@idirect.com; Paul Johnson, exhibits, pmljohnson@rogers.com.

St. Charles, MO – July 21-23
Missouri Numismatic Society's 46th Annual Coin Festival. St. Charles Convention Center, 1 Convention Center Plaza. Contact: John Bush, 314-692-2646. Email: johnbush@scoins.com

Springfield, IL – July 23
Central Illinois Numismatic Association's Annual Summer Show. Northfield Center I, 3210 Northfield Dr. Contact: Steve Butler, 1712 So. First St., Springfield, IL 62704. 217-528-7634.

Spirit Lake, IA – Aug. 5-6
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American Numismatic Association's 115th Anniversary Convention, "World's Fair of Money." Contact: Convention Dept., 719-632-2646.

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Wabash Valley Coin Club's Annual Coin & Currency Show. Hulman Center, 200 No. 8th St. Contact: Marvin Mericle, PO Box 3, Terre Haute, IN 47808; 812-898-1260; email: marv@att.net

Columbus, OH – Aug. 31-Sept. 3
Central Ohio Numismatic Assn. (formerly CNS-COINS) Coin Show. Clarion Hotel Dublin, 600 Metro Place No., Dublin, OH. (Early birds: 8/31, 5 p.m.; Public days: 9/1-3.) Contact: Evan Brill, Ohio State Coin Show, Box 182, 4719 Reed Rd., Columbus, OH 43220. 614-451-5055.

Chicago (Countryside), IL – Sept. 7-10
Illinois Numismatic Association's (ILNA) 47th Annual Fall Convention. Park Place Banquet Hall, 6200 Joliet Rd. Contact: Kermit Wasmer, 815-432-4636. Club & show info: www.ilnaclub.org.

Cincinnati, OH – Sept. 28-Oct. 1
23rd Annual Greater Cincinnati Numismatic Expo. Sharonville Convention Ctr., 11355 Chester Rd. Contact: Paul Padget, 7641 Reinhold Dr., Cincinnati, OH 45237. 513-821-2143.

Duluth, MN – Sept. 30
Twin Ports Coin & Currency Club's 2nd Annual One-day Show. Radisson Hotel, 505 W. Superior St. Contact: Bill Jahn, PO Box 161691, Duluth, MN 55816. 218-721-4155, twinportscoinclub@yahoo.com.

Milwaukee, WI – Oct. 1
Milwaukee Numismatic Society's Annual One-Day Coin Show. American Serb Memorial Hall, 5101 W. Oklahoma Ave. Contact: David Hunsicker, 248 So. 7th Ave., West Bend, WI 53095-3221. 262-338-6064.

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68th Annual Iowa State Numismatic Assn. Convention, hosted by the Des Moines Coin Club. Holiday Inn, 4800 Merle Hay Rd. Bourse chairman: Chris Seuntjens, 3427 Merle Hay Rd., Des Moines, IA 50310. Phone: 800-701-3123. Email: chris@christophersjewelry.com

Brooklyn Center, MN – Oct. 13-15
MN Organization of Numismatists (MOON) Annual Coin Show. Earle Brown Heritage Ctr., 6155 Earle Brown Dr. Contact: Jay Darby, PO Box 7323, Rochester, MN 55903. 507-202-3390.

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Johnson Cty. Numismatic Society's 38th Annual Coin, Stamp & Card Show. Community Center, Pflumm Rd. at Santa Fe Trail Dr. Contact: Mark McWherter, 1107 E. Northview St., Olathe, KS 66061, 913-649-7070 (work), 913-764-0386 (home), or email: imcinc@planetkc.com.

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Battle Creek, MI – Oct. 15
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Fall PAN (PA Assn. of Numismatists) Coin Show. Pittsburgh Expomart, Rt. 22, (PA Turnpike Exit 57). John Paul Sarosi, 106 Market St., Johnstown, PA 15901. 814-535-5766.

Rochester, MN – Oct. 29
Rochester Area Coin Club's Annual Fall Coin Show. La Quinta Inn, 1625 So. Broadway. Contact: Jerry Swanson, PO Box 565, Rochester, MN 55903. 507-289-5099.

Indianapolis, IN – Nov. 3-4
Indiana State Numismatic Association's 48th Annual Show. New Liberty Hall, Marriott Hotel, 7202 E. 21st & Shadeland Ave. Contact: Joyce Fischer, 1123 W. 8th St., Anderson, IN 46016. 765-649-0253. E-mail: kycolonels@insightbb.com.

Chattanooga, TN – Nov. 3-5
Tennessee State Numismatic Society's Annual Fall Coin Show. Camp Jordan Arena, I-75 Exit 1, Chattanooga. (Early birds: Thurs., Nov. 2, 1-7 p.m.) Contact: Gayle Pike, PO Box 11705, Memphis, TN 38111. 901-327-1703. Email: pikegk@aol.com

Honolulu, HI – Nov. 3-5
Hawaii State Numismatic Association's Annual Convention. Hawaii Convention Center, 1801 Kalakaua Ave. Contact: Marion Kendrick, PO Box 477, Honolulu, HI 96809. 808-486-4766.

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Kalamazoo Coin Club's Annual Fall Coin Show. Cty. Fairgrounds-Cty. Center Bldg., 2900 Lake St. Contact: David Binder, 503 Washington St., Three Rivers, MI 49093. 269-273-1030.

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Clark County Semi-Annual Coin Club Show. New Freedom Road Center, 283 E. Leffel Lane. Contact: Ken Townsend, 3468 Homeacres Ave., Beavercreek, OH 45431. 937-426-8822.

St. Louis, MO – Nov. 15-18
21st Annual National & World Paper Money Convention. Airport-Hilton Hotel. 10330 Natural Bridge Rd. Contact: Kevin Foley, 414-421-3484; email: kfoley2@wi.rr.com.

Fargo, ND – Nov. 18
North Dakota State's Annual Fall Show. Best Western Doublewood Inn, 3333 – 13th Ave. So. Contact: Bob Hanna, 800-726-9413, ext. 125.

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52nd Annual Florida United Numismatists (FUN) Convention / Show. Orange Co. Convention / Civic Center, Hall NB, No. Concourse, 9400 Universal Blvd. Contact: Cindy Wibker, 407-321-8747.

New York, NY – Jan. 11-14, 2007
NY International Numismatic Convention. Waldorf Astoria Hotel, 301 Park Ave. Contact: Kevin Foley, PO Box 573, Milwaukee, WI 53201. 414-421-3484.

Muncie, IN – Jan. 21, 2007
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Fargo, ND – Jan. 27-28, 2007
Red River Valley Coin Club's 47th Annual Coin & Stamp Show. Best Western Doublewood Inn, 3333 – 13th Ave. So. Contact: Bob Hanna, 800-726 9413, ext. 125.

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Rosemont, IL – Mar. 8-11, 2007
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Brookfield, WI – Mar. 11, 2007
Waukesha Coin Club's 38th Annual Show. American Legion Hall, 3245 No. 124th St. Contact: Forrest Schumacher, 262-542-3934.

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Northwest Coin Club's 73rd Annual Show. Earle Brown Heritage Center, 6155 Earle Brown Dr. Contact: Lee Quast, Box 1301, High Ridge, MO 63049. 314-276-1162.

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Muncie, IN – Jan. 18, 2009
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